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Question: "The second one that I wanted to ask about was the decision by the Center of Medicare and Medicaid Services, CMS, to eliminate the local nexus rule for employer-sponsored, private fee-for-service, which has led, we believe, to about 300,000 more people going into the more costly Medicare Advantage programs. Do you know if that was reviewed in that office?"

<u>Answer:</u> The Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs did not review a rule on the local nexus issue.